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Confirmation No.: 1520

Examiner: TRAN, Nhan T.

Filed: November 23, 1998

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND MEDIUM CONTAINING  
IMAGE PROCESSING CONTROL PROGRAM

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of a second month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of March 11, 2003 to August 11, 2003. Since Applicant has already paid \$110.00 for the first extension month, the USPTO is directed and authorized to charge for the statutory fee of \$300.00 for the second month and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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